

SYNCHRONIZATION OF PLANNING INFORMATION IN A HIGH
AVAILABILITY PLANNING AND SCHEDULING ARCHITECTURE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A method for synchronizing planning information in a high availability
planning and scheduling architecture includes processing requests from one or more
external systems (40) using an advanced planning and scheduling (APS) engine (22)
10 included in a first primary high availability (HA) system (20a). The processing of
requests includes modifying planning information stored in memory of the first
primary HA system (20a) according to the requests. The method also includes storing
change information reflecting the modifications to the planning information in a
database (64) and extracting the change information from the database (64) at an
15 extraction time. Furthermore, the method includes updating the planning information
using the extracted change information and storing the updated planning information
in memory of a second primary HA system (20a'). In addition, the method includes
identifying requests that were processed by the first primary HA system (20a) after
the extraction time and updating the planning information stored in memory of the
second primary HA system (20a') to account for these requests. The method also
includes replacing the first primary HA system (20a) with the second primary HA
system (20a').